

IN THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-referenced application:

1 - 27 (Canceled)

28. (Currently amended) A method for use in accordance with patient care, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving one or more metrics associated with one or more of a plurality of patients;

determining one or more priorities associated with the plurality of patients based at least in part on the one or more metrics, the step of determining one or more priorities further comprising: accessing information about the one or more of the plurality of patients and about at least one environmental factor common to the plurality of patients; evaluating the one or more metrics responsive to the information about the one or more of the plurality of patients and about the at least one environmental factor common to the plurality of patients; and accessing information about a metric, wherein the information about the one or more patients comprises at least one of medical history, an order of a doctor, and a threshold for a metric, and wherein the information about the one or more patients comprises point of care data and context information;

determining an ordering of the plurality of patients, responsive to the one or more priorities;

responsive to the ordering of the plurality of patients, transmitting an indicator to at least one receiver at least one of wirelessly, via Ethernet 802.11, via a cellular network, and via a wide area network, the indicator comprising recommended care for the plurality of patients; and

determining a receiver for the indicator of order of the plurality of patients.